

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
JOB OPPORTUNITY  
BUREAU OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION  
FERRY CAPTAIN

**Open To:** The Public (see Eligibility Requirement below)  
**Location:** Rocky Hill – Glastonbury Ferry  
**Job Posting No:** 101358  
**Hours:** 37.5 hours per week  
**Salary:** Pay Grade TC 20 (Step 1 = \$25.89 hourly)  
**Closing Date:** April 24, 2012, 4:00 p.m.

There is a Ferry Captain position opportunity available in the Bureau of Public Transportation, Office of Maritime, at the Rocky Hill Glastonbury Ferry located in Rocky Hill. This position is in the NP-2 bargaining unit.

**Eligibility Requirement:** *Candidates must meet the minimum qualifications listed below. State employees who currently hold this title or those who have previously attained permanent status in this title since their most recent hire date, may apply for lateral transfer.*

**Position Description:** The Rocky Hill – Glastonbury Ferry, the nation's oldest continuously operating ferry service, crosses the Connecticut River between Rocky Hill and Glastonbury. The ferry is an open flatboat named the "Hollister III". The three-car barge is towed back and forth by the "Cumberland," a diesel powered 28 foot long towboat. The ferry provides a direct link between Rocky Hill and Glastonbury at Route 160.

The Ferry Captain acts as a working supervisor for a ferry crew engaged in the operation, repair and maintenance of the ferry. The Ferry Captain must be familiar with the duties of and act as the Ferry First Mate as required. Example of duties include: Commands and operates a Connecticut State Ferry on a daily shift during seasonal operations; plans ferry crew workflow and determines priorities; schedules, assigns, oversees and reviews work; establishes and maintains ferry crew procedures; provides staff training and assistance; conducts or assists in conducting performance evaluations; acts as liaison with operating units, agencies and outside officials regarding unit policies and procedures; oversees necessary operations in starting and operating heavy duty marine engines and transmissions; oversees loading and discharging of passengers and vehicles under mandated state and federal safety regulations; oversees collection of tolls and prepares bank deposits at end of shift; maintains daily logs of assigned shift for daily operations, engine room and radio operations including a record of unusual occurrences; oversees and performs preventative maintenance of and ensures necessary running repairs to engines, fire pumps, etc. takes place; maintains all firefighting and life safety equipment; supervises and assists as necessary in cleaning of ferry vessel, ferry approaches and grounds; checks vessel gear and equipment and submits complete report of all needed repairs and replacements to Ferry Master Captain; oversees and assists crew in performing required repairs, replacements and maintenance to ferry vessel and equipment in order to put vessel in first class condition prior to United States Coast Guard inspections as required by federal regulations; may make recommendations on policies or standards; may prepare reports and correspondence; may be assigned other duties in regular or emergency highway maintenance; performs related duties as required. Overtime may be required.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:**

**Knowledge, Skill and Ability:** Considerable knowledge of and skill in piloting a ferry and/or tug boat driven vessel in making landings into a ferry slip and river crossings; considerable knowledge of relevant state and federal laws, statutes and regulations; knowledge of marine, fire protection and life safety equipment; knowledge of operation and maintenance of marine engines, transmissions and propelling machinery; knowledge of first aid; some knowledge of splicing and tying lines; interpersonal skills; oral and written communication skills; some supervisory ability.

**General Experience:** Three (3) years of experience in the operation of a ferry vessel or other motor driven vessel of the required tonnage.

**Special Requirements:** 1. Incumbents in this class must possess and retain a federal license to operate or navigate small passenger carrying vessels (50 ton for Rocky Hill-Glastonbury). 2. Incumbents in this class at the Rocky Hill-Glastonbury site must possess and retain a Tug and Towing license. 3. Incumbents in this class must possess and retain a CPR certificate.

**Preferred Qualifications:** It is highly preferred that candidates possess a Merchant Mariner Credentials (MMC) with endorsement as master of towing vessels or as a master of vessels of greater than 200 gross register tons holding either an endorsement on his or her license or MMC for towing vessels or a completed Towing Officer's Assessment Record (TOAR) signed by a designated examiner indicating that the officer is proficient in the operation of towing vessels as specified in 46 CFR 15.610.

**A Commercial Driver's License is required. Candidates must pass a pre-employment drug screen and physical exam and the selected candidate will be subject to random drug/alcohol testing during employment.**

**Working Conditions:** Incumbents in this class may be required to lift moderate to heavy weights and may be exposed to extreme weather conditions, noise and fumes and risk of injury from equipment.

Applicants may refer to the DAS website at <http://das.ct.gov/HR/JobspecNew/JobSearch.asp> to view the job specification.

**Note:** The filling of this position will be in accordance with reemployment, SEBAC, transfer, promotion and merit employment rules.

**Application Instructions:** Submit a cover letter which states your interest and suitability for the position, copies of any relevant licenses, [application \(State of CT form CT-HR-12\)](#) and [Commercial Driver Supplement \(CTDOT-CDL-1\)](#) to:

Ms. Maritsa Zupka  
Bureau of Aviation  
PO Box 317546, 2800 Berlin Turnpike  
Newington, CT 06131-7546  
OR FAX # (860) 594-2574

**State employees must also include copies of last two service ratings received. Resumes are welcome but optional.**

**Due to the large volume of applications received, we are unable to confirm receipt or provide status updates during the recruitment process. Please refrain from contacting us for these purposes.**

Applications forms are available at: [http://das.ct.gov/HR/Forms/CT-HR-12\\_Application.pdf](http://das.ct.gov/HR/Forms/CT-HR-12_Application.pdf) and the CDL supplement at: [http://www.ct.gov/dot/lib/dot/documents/dhr/CDL-Main\\_Application\\_9-2011.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/dot/lib/dot/documents/dhr/CDL-Main_Application_9-2011.pdf). Interviews may be limited to candidates whose experience and training most closely meet the requirements of this position. The candidate pool resulting from these interviews may be used to fill future positions in this classification within one year.

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The State of Connecticut is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and strongly encourages the applications of women, minorities, and persons with disabilities.